



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing
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Phyllis Biedess, Director
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801 E. Jefferson
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Dear Ms. Biedess:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Arizona State plan amendment (SPA) 01-005, regarding payment for reserved beds. I am approving this SPA with the requested effective date of July 1, 2001.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Ronald Reepen at (415) 744-3601.

Sincerely,


Linda Minamoto
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid

Enclosures

cc:

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: ARIZONA

PAYMENTS FOR RESERVED BEDS

1. Payment for a reserved bed will not be made in an acute care facility.
2. Payment for a reserved bed may be made in a nursing facility, an Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) or a Residential Treatment Center licensed as a Level I behavioral health facility and accredited by an AHCCCS-approved accrediting body, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The purpose of the absence is to visit family or friends, to prepare the individual for discharge to community living or for an admission to an acute and/or psychiatric hospital;
 - b. The member's plan of care provides for such an absence when therapeutic leave is utilized;
 - c. The absence does not exceed nine therapeutic leave days and 12 bed hold days per contract year for adults age 21 and older, or a total of 21 days (therapeutic and/or bed hold) for persons under 21 years of age;
 - d. Prior authorization is received from the designee for the Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA) or Program Contractor.
3. Payment shall be denied for any absence that is:
 - a. in excess of these limits;
 - b. for purposes other than those listed; or
 - c. not properly authorized.

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